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POWER SUPPLY SYSTEM AND METHOD) For:

> THAT PROVIDES A LOW-COST APPROACH TO VOLTAGE SCALING

Group Art Unit: 2816

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

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Respectfully submitted,

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